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Request
for
Continued Examination (RCE)
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Application Number	10/044,486
Filing Date	January 11, 2002
First Named Inventor	Tsien
Art Unit	1624
Examiner Name	Mark Berch
Attorney Docket Number	02307E-152710US

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.
Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. **Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).

a. ☐ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.

i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____

ii. ☐ Other _____

b. ☒ Enclosed

i. ☒ Amendment/Reply

iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/ Declaration(s)

iv. ☐ Other _____

2. **Miscellaneous**

a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)

b. ☐ Other _____

3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 20-1430. I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.

i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e) - \$395

ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17) - \$1080

iii. ☐ Other _____

b. ☐ Check in the amount of \$ _____ enclosed

c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

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Signature	<i>Kenneth E. Jenkins</i>	Date	February 15, 2005
Name (Print /Type)	Kenneth E. Jenkins Ph.D.	Registration No.	51,846

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Tsien et al.

Application No.: 10/044,486

Filed: January 11, 2002

For: Beta-Lactamase Substrates Having
Phenolic Ethers

Customer No.: 20350

Confirmation No. 9885

Examiner: Berch, Mark

Technology Center/Art Unit: 1624

**AMENDMENT AND SUBMISSION
UNDER 37 CFR §1.114**

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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed January 15, 2004, and the Advisory Action mailed June 8, 2004, please consider the following amendments and remarks. With this submission, Applicants respectfully request continued examination of the above identified application under 37 CFR §1.114. A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) accompanies this amendment. In addition, a petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) accompanies this response.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

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Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.